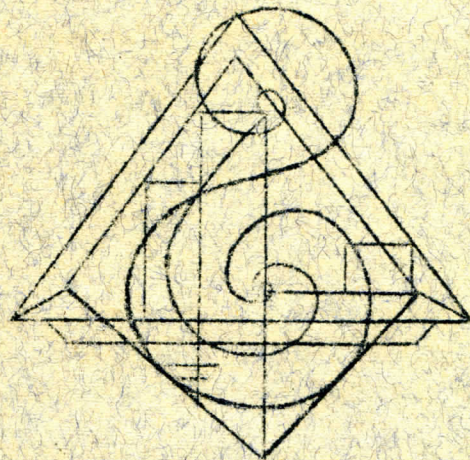


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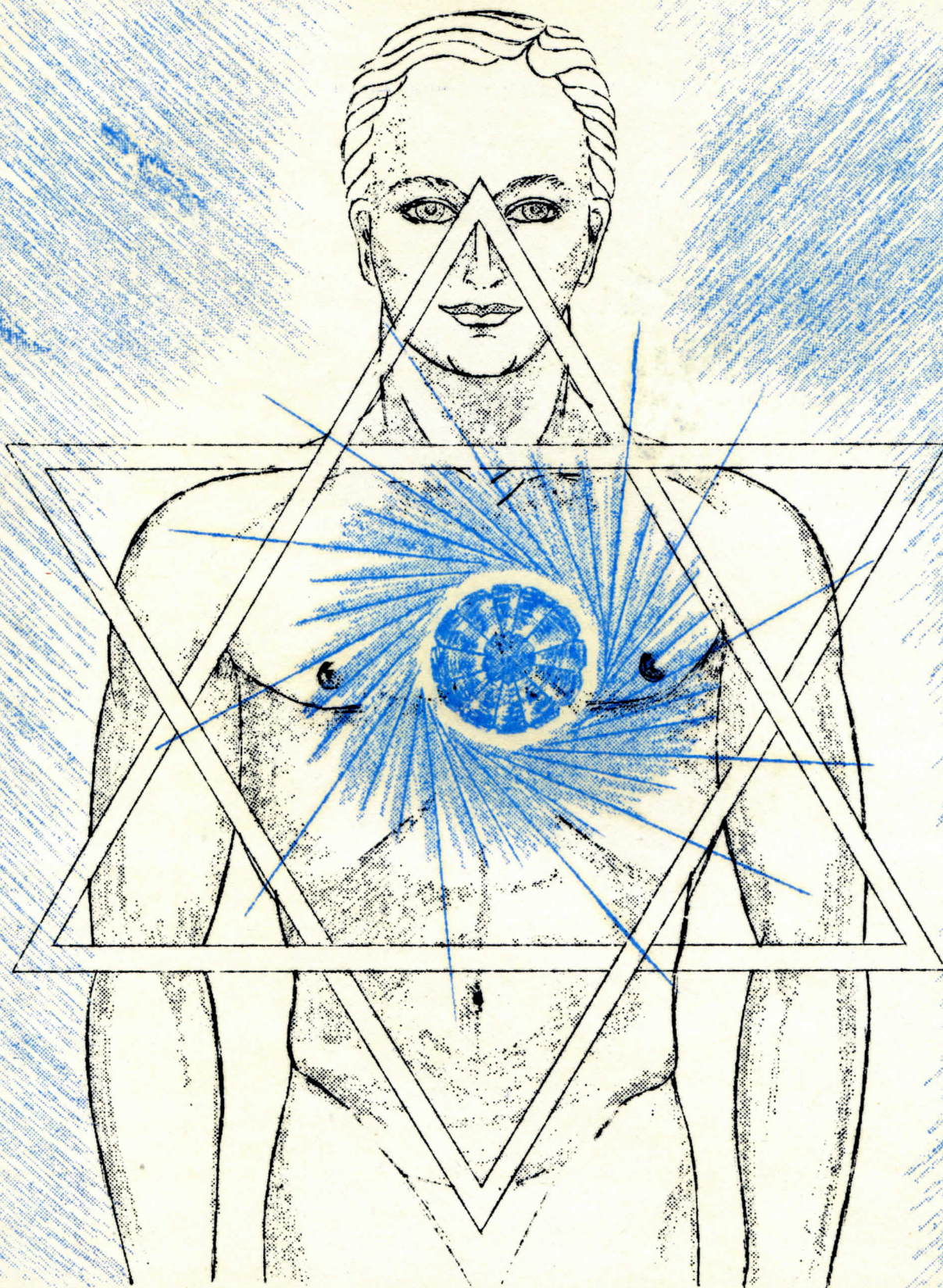
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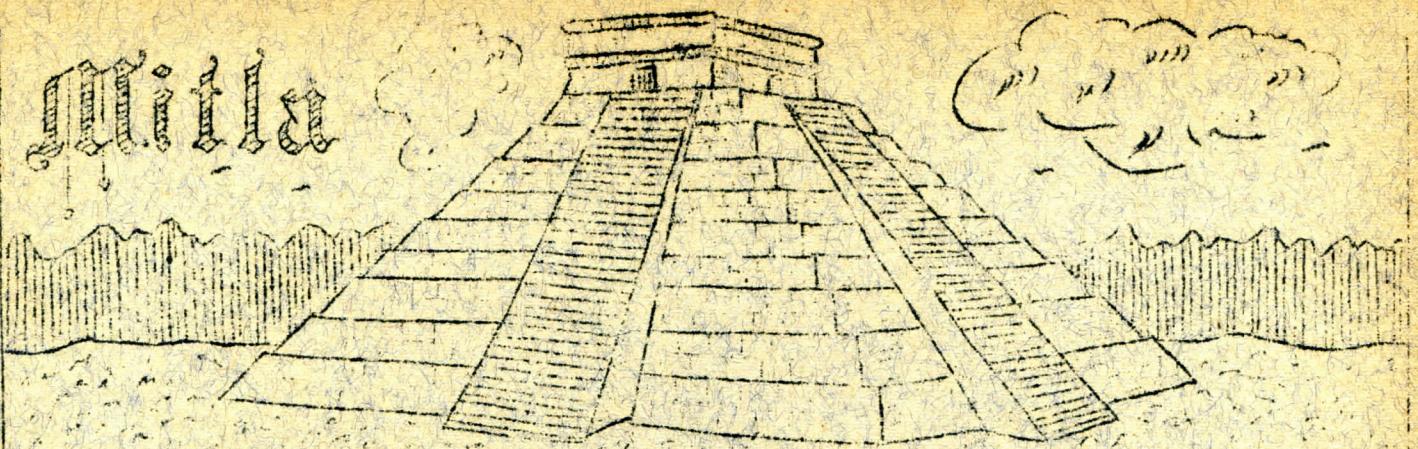




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THE COSMIC RAY OF VENUS IS THE FOURTH AND MOST IMPORTANT OF THE SEVEN DIVINE JEWELS of Consciousness which move through the bodies of Humanity. The ordained nature of Venus is Balance. The more common expression of this Principle is Love. When seen from the Inner standpoint of Universal Action Love is promptly recognized as that supreme power which alone can produce balance, harmony and order between all the Chakras or Cosmic Ideas.

The Venus Chakra is usually called the Heart or Cardiac Center, since it is to be found just behind the human organ which controls the movement of Blood through the physical form. The alert Student will instantly see many correspondences between the Center which produces the Blood and the focus which controls its action.

The traditional location of the Heart or Venus Temple is in Mexico, ancient Mitla. The hours of its Radiation are from SIX to NINE P.M. In contrast to the hours of Mars (six to nine in the morning) it is easy to see the natural outpicturing of the Rays of Venus as we prepare to take up our personal life at home, after the struggle to endure the vigorous vibrations of the Mass-Consciousness. It is during these hours of Venus that we divest ourselves of our "business-personality" and prepare to assume a more individual character when we meet our friends and coworkers under quite different circumstance than those provided by the commercial circles. Venus and Jupiter are called the Benefics in Astrology; and the hours of Jupiter following Venus add a more expanded vibration to the evening than Venus can supply, while Venus is able to help us assume a more personalized character than the royal Jove.

The ancient salutation of the Orientals, "Aum Mani Padme Hum," is the immortal recognition of the Sacred Jewel in the Heart which all races of the past have instinctively made to this Supreme Center of Divinity within the human body. It has been said that the Heart Center alone will carry the Pilgrim to the Feet of God. This is true, if we can fully and properly comprehend the Message of the Heart---and constantly apply its Perfect Wisdom. Few of us, however, can still the action of the other Chakras long enough to hear the glorious Melody of Truth which our Heart is forever singing to us. It is therefore necessary for us to struggle as we do in our ignorance and disbelief and eventually gain control over all the Chakras.

The Heart Chakra is the Christ in each of us---standing with arms outstretched, waiting for us to perceive the Infinite Love which will set us free, "easily and quickly." "Come unto Me all ye who are weary and heavily laden---and I will give you Truth." "And the Truth shall set you free---for I am the Way, the Life, the Light, the Truth." These are the glorious words of the Heart-Ideal as It came to Mankind two thousand years ago and plead with us for acceptance. We are still rejecting it---therefore we suffer and struggle and fail; deceived by the false glamor of the other Chakras.

Venus contains the full knowledge of the three lower Chakras, the Trinity of Personality. Venus also possesses the Law of the three higher Chakras, the Trinity of the Individuality. It is the Mission of the Christ, of Venus, to balance the warring currents of Consciousness as they rush through these six Centers of Cosmic Life.

IN THE BEAUTIFUL IMAGERY OF THE EASTERN PHILOSOPHERS WE READ THAT THERE ARE SEVEN chambers within the heart in which reside the Seven Lords of Light. This is one way of explaining that all of the Seven Aspects of Divinity, moving throughout the human body, are to be found in the Heart Consciousness.

The Heart is also the traditional sanctuary of the Seed-Atom, that mysterious and totally Spiritual Principle of the Eternal Ego. The Seed-Atom is said to contain a complete likeness of our human form, a record of the past lives and a blueprint of the future existences. Perhaps no human consciousness is able to understand just what the Elder Brothers mean by this term, the Seed-Atom. However, if we regard it as that part of us which is eternal, which has had no beginning and can know no ending, something which is part of the Divine Reality Who has brought us into conscious existence, we will not be too far from an accurate grasp of it.

In the economy of the World-Soul the specific location of the Heart Ray changes with the destinies of the race itself. Many nations have served as the Heart Center of the World-Mind, altho the traditional Temple of the Heart is still to be found in Central America. During the height of Atlantis' great age of Light the areas now known as Central America, including Mexico, were much larger. Their people were almost countless in number, and their civilization was even more glorious than that of Atlantis. The Twelve Sanctuaries, or Secondary Temples of the Mother Heart Temple in Mexico exist today as certainly as they did in that far off age when "The Heart spoke forth its fruitful message of Truth."

The Etheric Patterns which the people of these ancient cities left behind them are still pulsating in the Astral Energies that permeate the present areas. This is the reason so many have been drawn to some part of Central America quite without knowing just why they traveled to it. There is very little to be found in the way of interesting tourist activities; yet almost everyone who has visited this mystic land has returned with a peculiar realization that they were not the same person they were before the visit.

It is highly significant that while Central and South America has been divided into numerous small dictatorships, and while political revolution has flourished almost as a popular career for many people, Communism has been totally excluded from these nations of the South. The Heart can never accept the dictates of Communistic nihilism. And these lands are literally steeped in the Radiance of the Heart Temple every twenty-four hours. No one takes the revolutions in our southern neighborhoods as anything to be seriously concerned with; for the men who rule the countries from time to time are too deeply devoted to the Principles of the Heart Doctrine. When one does go over the line into despotism, as in the case of Argentina, it is only a matter of time until the people rise up and destroy the dictator who has played too roughly. For to the peoples below the borders, this is all a pleasant game which must be played according to certain rules of honor and personal integrity---the Rules of the Heart.

Mexico, Central and South America are deeply "Christian." They are regarded as Catholic by many who improperly understand the true nature of the kind of Christianity which flourishes there. Protestant missionaries have found it an almost hopeless place in which to preach their particular brand of Christianity. What one must realize is that hidden just beneath the surface of their Catholic Consciousness is a vast and changeless stratum of ancient Atlantean Spirituality. Even amongst the families of wealthy and intelligent circles this same veneer of Christianity covers up the ancient and entirely legitimate belief in the Gods of Old. The destiny of South America is a magnificent one; and it will be the development of the Heart Consciousness of ancient Atlantis that will make these modern lands the wonder and admiration of our next century of Divine Evolution.

THE HEART HAS BEEN LIKENED TO THE FULCRUM OF A BALANCE, THE CENTER POINT OF THE scales. The significance of the Astrological Sign Libra centering itself at the strategic point of the Cosmic Horizon becomes apparent as we watch the action of Venus through her ordained channel. Venus is said to be "at home" in Libra, or able to most completely and correctly project her special radiance thru Libra. All Librans are strongly under the influence of Venus. For this reason Spirits taking a fleshly form when the Sun is in the Sign Libra are endowed with unique powers of balance and judgment. The ability to see both sides of an issue, to grasp all the facts, makes them ideal judges and administrators in the world of human affairs. When seen from the higher standpoint of the Cosmic Patterns, such Souls give strong indication of unusual comprehension and familiarity with the Spiritual Laws of Balance, the Invisible Aspects of Cosmic Justice and Order.

Because of the great advantages which Venus, moving through Libra, bestows upon her children, many Initiates and Disciples of the Law come into fleshly incarnation when the Sun is in Libra, or the beginning of the Season of the Harvesting.

Venus, through Libra, grants a profound understanding of all the aspects of our human life--as well as the more subtle and abstract principles of the Spiritual worlds. Libra possesses many of the instincts of Pisces, the Sign of Suffering, Sacrifice and Martyrdom and can therefore sympathize with and understand most of the problems of human life. Frequently the Soul, having passed an earthly cycle under Pisces will return as a native of Libra--in order to use the tremendous compassion and understanding which was gained under Pisces, but which could not be used until the strengthening Rays of Saturn crystallized in Libra. Saturn is said to be exalted in Libra, or endowed with special potencies which undergo a transmutation in the Balance-Sign and lose some of their severe fatefulness.

Consequently, it is apparent that Venus, moving through Libra, has great assistance from Saturn---and can, therefore, become extremely intense and crystallized in her activities. This explains the strange quirk of most Librans to become something of a Dictator, even a Tyrant, in their dealings with others. Hitler, Napoleon, Louis XIV had Libra very strongly placed in their horoscopes. And the ability of these three historical personages to see all sides of an issue, to grasp every detail and feature of the worlds problems, led them to believe that they were entirely superior to the rest of Humanity and therefore able to rule and govern Mankind much better than they, the people, were able to do so. And in many, many instances they were correct in their beliefs. One of the annoying traits (to those who are not Librans) is their faculty for being right in so many cases. Libra is highly intuitive, psychic in an electric fashion, and able to put the accusing finger on the hidden wound or secret weakness. Where the Soul is highly evolved this remarkable faculty will make the Libran compassionate and forgiving; in cases of a primitive or unevolved nature, the Libran can become extremely critical, cruel and vicious because of this psychic knowing.

Venus, moving through Libra, can bestow the most exalted states of consciousness. and produce in her people a truly glorious degree of aristocratic dignity and deep nobility of Soul. Saturn, moving through Libra, can bestow qualities that transform the Soul into something which, sooner or later, must be destroyed. The greatest snobs in the world are usually Librans. The biggest liars, the worst cheats and the most dangerous criminals are frequently born under the influence of Libra---all because of the uncanny knack Libra has for being able to grasp the subtle, delicate, invisible and intangible aspects of human life and action. Librans, acting for both good and evil, have filled the pages of history more than any of the other eleven Astrological Signs. And the reason for this very unusual condition must be sought in the Teachings of the White Brotherhood.

THE DEVELOPMENT OF BALANCE BETWEEN THE LOWER HUMAN PERSONAL WORLD AND THE HIGHER world of the Individualized Spirit or Divine Ego--this is the special feature of the Libra Ray. In other words, the Message of Libra, its special significance and the totality of its experiences endows the separate human personality with an awareness of Cosmic Individuality and Universal Unity in and with "God."

Only as the Cosmic Rays of Universal Consciousness, moving through Libra, stir in to action the slumbering memory of our ancient Oneness with "God" enjoyed when we were in the Edenic or Garden of Paradise Consciousness--only when Venus has filled us with a deep longing to know our "Self" can we approach the Over-Soul and seek to appropriate its vast Cosmic Mentality into our little personal worlds.

This deep longing to know our Selves is the strange and highly subtle cause of all our "sins." Venus is said to impart qualities that are dangerous to the Pilgrim on the Ancient Path of Divine Wisdom. Libra is regarded as a Sign that gives much self-indulgence which needs a constantly restraining influence of the Will--to avoid disaster through the senses. This is true, in part. But it is the expression of our senses which first gives us some inkling of our "selves." According to Scriptures of all religions, we, Humanity, became immersed, lost, in our preoccupation with our senses--as they manifested through the lower human personality. Because of our 'unwise' absorption with the "flesh" we gradually forgot our Higher Natures, the Over-Souls, and became entrapped in the vibrations of the three lower Centers of Consciousness, the Chakras of Saturn, Jupiter and Mars. These three Centers bestowed a vague form of personality which enabled us to continue as separate personalities--but it was the personality we could claim only as a member of a certain tribe, clan or family. By worshipping our ancestors we gained a degree of immortality which was but a poor substitute for the Supreme Immortality we knew as Children of Eden--aware of our High Spiritual Egos. We had indeed "departed from The Father" our Universal or Christed State.

There comes a time in the experience of every Race and Nation when the majority of its people have evolved themselves to a point in consciousness where they are ready for the next great Step in the Divine Program of Self-Knowing. At this point there appears the Saviour, the Teacher, the Archtype--One Who knows and understands every experience His people have had during their struggle to express through the three lower Centers. This One knows also the experience which stand before His people as they ready themselves to take the next Initiation into their Divine Destiny. He is, therefore, fully equipped to present Himself to His flock as their Shepherd, their Leader, their Warrior-King, or their Scholar-Prophet, whatever the special needs of His people dictate.

This Illumined Being invariably surrounds Himself (or Herself) with a staff of persons who are actually reflections of Himself--and can thus serve Him in ways the unlearned, uninitiated mortal could never understand. In the life and ministry of the hundreds of Saviours, Avatars, Teachers and Exemplars Who have come into fleshly bodies down the ages, we see this same Plan and Pattern. Invariably They will take embodiment under the Rays of Libra. The assistants They choose for Their staff will also be strongly under the Rays of this Sign of the Balance.

The Piscean Teacher, according to the Akashic Records, (the Memory of Nature we can read in the Etheric Planes) Christ-Jesus was a Libran with Leo ascending. All of His Apostles were strongly influenced by the Libran Consciousness, either through Venus or Saturn or the Moon. John Beloved, Sun in Libra. James, Moon in Libra and so on, until the Twelve made up a complete System of Balance which the world never ceases to marvel upon as history records its majestic activities.

THERE ARE SOME WHO TEACH THAT THE PISCAN CHRIST AND HIS PALISTINIAN MINISTRY is an allegorical dramatization of the myth of the Sun God---and that the Christ, as an actual human being did not exist. This would imply that the Apostles also were allegorical representations and did not live as definite human characters. While unquestionably many of the Biblical incidents are symbolical, allegorical and did not actually happen in the physical world of material consciousness; it is equally unquestionable that a human man did live some two thousand years ago and did conduct a Spiritual Ministry similar to the accounts in the Bible.

It is also possible to present the Piscean Ministry of the Christ-Ideal as having nothing to do with human actualities in our concrete world of affairs. The Solar God, and His Twelve Apostles, or Planets, can be understood as abstract Principles or Cosmic Powers. And this version does no violence to the Truth of the Christ. However, since Humanity understands very little about abstract principles, in its present stage of evolution, the Great Teachers and Way-Showers usually present The Truth in a manner which can be best grasped by the people.

Regardless of certain scholarly distinctions which can be made about all philosophical points, whether the Ministry of the Piscean Christ is regarded as a literal presentation in terms of actual personalities, or an allegorical telling of Cosmic Abstractions, one great fact remains conspicuous above all others: The Sublime Authority of the Piscean Age constantly exhorted His listeners to make a fundamental change in their lives. This change was presented first to the nation in which He worked, the Jewish tribes. He commanded them to give up their outmoded tribal deity, Jehovah and his retinue of minor gods, angels and demons, and accept The Father-Within. To those who did abandon their ancient tribal gods He had a still further command---renounce the binding ties of family. ("Who is my mother and my brother"etc.)

The Message of the Piscean Christ was the acceptance of the Impersonal, Spiritual Presence---Which moves and acts through the three Higher Centers of Consciousness, throat, brow and crown. This meant a total annihilation of all the supports and props the human personality had surrounded itself with. It meant also the renunciation of the coarse features of human life as expressed through the lower or animal centers. It meant abstinence from all "sins and the evils thereof." Fear is a sin; doubt is a sin. So also is worry and the host of error-thoughts which plague the human personality from the three lower centers of consciousness.

When we give up our nationalistic gods, when we surrender our family deities, when we abandon the heavy burdens of tradition-thought and religious bigotry, we have indeed "died" to the flesh, the outer world. And our human personality has been consumed in the "fires of Hell," the Ray of Mars or the Luciferian Consciousness of separation---because of which Humanity was cast from the Garden of Oneness.

This is the "surrender of ourselves unto Christ", the "renunciation of the mortal world" which figure so prominently in the biographies of the Christian saints. The technique of this surrender is known to the Heart Center, the Voice Within. When we have sufficiently abandoned the lower nature, the human personality, and have sought the Higher Nature, the Divine Impersonality, we will discover that we have lost nothing, but "gained all heaven and earth." We do not possess "earth" now. It possesses us! Through the intemperate expression of our lower or human natures we have become the slaves of the mortal personal self. While there is nothing inherently evil or bad about the three lower Centers, our lack of understanding has caused us to misuse these forces---and for that error, we "shall surely die." Die from suffocation, of too much uncontrolled life.

THE MESSAGE OF THE PISCAN CHRIST HAS BEEN TERMED A MESSAGE OF RENUNCIATION, A Faith of Defeat--since "we must die to attain our fulfillment." While this is an attitude which springs from the ill-conceived logic of the materialist, it must be admitted that the Piscean Age was a period in which the vast mass of human beings could hope for little in this life. Hope deferred, Faith fulfilled at a later age, a latter day, was indeed the keynote of Pisces--but only as those of the market-places heard its Message. There were other hearers, but their numbers so very few history can tell us little if anything of these fortunate people. They were the select few who gathered in the secret places, the "Upper-Rooms" to hear and study a Message vastly beyond anything given in the market places.

There was no element of narrow favoritism which selected the handful who gathered in the Upper-Rooms of Judea, Egypt, Greece, Rome in the early years of the Great Galilean. The doors were open wide to all who could understand the nature of the Cosmic Christ Who walked amongst them. But in that frightful day of almost total ignorance, it is not strange that few people were able to comprehend the deep abstractions of the Occult Law which the Teacher sought to make clear. We would not expect the multitudes of ignorant and straving creatures to comprehend the bewildering phenomenon of a gigantic airplane hurtling through the heavens of those historic days. Could we possibly have managed to explain to those darkened minds the mysteries of radio, and, more amazing, television???

How then could The Teacher have explained, other than He did, the amazing mystery of the Over-Soul, the function and control of the Spinal Chakras (when almost nothing was known of elementary human anatomy!) How explain the existence in the human body of a dynamic electrical energy which could be converted into eternal youth and immortal consciousness---when the world of His day used candles and oil lamps for their illumination?

Hence it was that The Heart Message could contain little save those precepts of Love, Faith and Forgiveness. The lower nature was to be disciplined through the constant growth of Faith in better things to come. The lower personality was to be controlled by the ever-present threat of celestial retribution and judgment---not by the Illumined Will of the Disciple initiated into the electric forces of his head Centers, his Spiritual Energies. Pisces was the Age of Faith. We are entering now the Age of Aquarius, the Age of Knowledge. Through the manipulation of both Faith and Knowledge we shall, someday, enter the Age of Wisdom, the Age of Authority, Capricorn, the Sign of the Christ.

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The Cosmic significance of the Heart Consciousness cannot be fully or properly understood until we have begun to grasp the nature and importance of the three Head or Spiritual Centers or states of Consciousness. We cannot employ our Divine Prerogative of Choice from its sanctuary within the Heart until we know something of the different principles and forces upon which we are to make our Choice. We can hardly replace the Consciousness of the lower nature with the Light of the Higher Trinity until we understand the basic features of the Spirit. And the nature of these Three Higher Principles or Centers will be very elusive to the confining measures of language--however subtle and refined that language may be. Still we must attempt to explain these Cosmic Abstractions in concrete terms. We must attempt to confine the Light within its shadow---for the shadows are those things with which we, as human beings, bind ourselves and imprison our Souls. But with the help of The Great Light, the consuming Fire of Truth, we have Faith that our ignorance will shortly become Knowledge. Then, some happy day, Faith founded upon exact Knowledge, will bestow upon us that sacred Sceptre of Authority, of the Over-Soul, of the Illumined, Immortalized Christed-Being.

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THE NATURE OF OUR HUMAN PERSONALITY
(Supplement to Entry Four) *MITLA*

THE SEVERAL ENTRIES OF OUR AQUARIAN JOURNAL PRESENTED SO FAR HAVE NOW BROUGHT US TO a consideration of one of the greatest mysteries of our earthly evolutionary plan. This is the mystery of our human personality and its relationship to our Creator, a Being or Force wholly Divine and Cosmic--and thus, apparently, forever removed from those things human and mortal.

HOW CAN A DIVINE FORCE BRING FORTH THAT WHICH IS HUMAN?

HOW CAN AN IMMORTAL POWER CREATE THAT WHICH IS MORTAL?

HOW CAN AN INFINITE MIND BRING FORTH A FINITE, OR LIMITED, MIND?

HOW CAN AN ETERNAL, EVERLASTING LIFE EXPERIENCE DEATH?

IF GOD, BEING ALL THINGS, IS MAN--WHY IS MAN, THEREFORE, NOT GOD. OR, BEING GOD, WHY DOES MAN NOT EXPRESS AND EXPERIENCE AN ETERNAL AND GOD-LIKE WORLD AND NATURE?

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The answer to all these extremely significant questions is to be found in what must, for the time being, be called the HUMAN PERSONALITY. No one can understand such a thing as a Divine Personality, a Cosmic Nature, until one is able to understand the Human-Personalized-Being.

None of the answers to these pregnant questions will be given in full. Various and related aspects of the questions will be considered and explained--but the Student is required to act upon the hints given and reach an understanding of the meaning of these points aided only by his personal experiences and his natural perceptions. Even though the full and complete answers were given it is highly improbable that the Student would properly grasp the unwritten, unspoken concepts which can never be contained in any words. The letter of the Law will reveal little. The Student must in some way contact the Spirit of the Law and thus transcend the inevitable confusion and deception of words.

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For the sake of clarity in this and all future Lessons we present these definitions:
PERSONALITY: The entity which is composed of the combined Substance and Actions of,
1. The Root, or Saturn, Center. 2. Life, or Jupiter, Center. 3. Navel, or Mars, Center.

INDIVIDUALITY: The entity which is composed of the combined Energies and Actions of,
1. The Throat, or Moon, Center. 2. Brow, or Mercury, Center. 3. Head, or Sun, Center.

SPIRITUALITY: That quality of Being which is Eternal, Immortal, Infinite, Timeless, Spaceless, All-knowing, Beginningless and Endless. That which is Cosmic, Impersonal, Universal, Nameless, Sexless. That which, therefore, must be Divine, Godlike and Supreme when compared with the qualities and activities of the human personality.

The Basic Function of the Principle of SPIRITUALITY (Which moves through the Venus or Heart or Cardiac Center) is to provide, first, a balance between the Personality and the Individuality (so that each will complement and support the other) and then to introduce into these two balanced Aspects the Element of Immortality which it is.

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IT IS MANIFESTLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO UNDERSTAND OUR IMMORTAL, COSMIC NATURE UNTIL we have gained some knowledge of our mortal, human personalities. There has been much confusion in the minds of many Students as to what is immortal and what is not; what dies and returns again through another earthly human life, and what part of us can truly be called eternal and everlasting. Most of us are certain that some aspect of our nature will survive the endless wheel of death and rebirth and most of us feel that, in some way, we will endure throughout eternity. But in most cases these beliefs are merely that--beliefs, hopes, desires. And few have any positive knowledge of the reasons for their persistent belief in immortality. Belief in our immortality, or in the everlasting nature of our "Soul" is found in every race. It is so deep-rooted as to have resisted successfully all the many attempts of the atheists, unbelievers and rank materialists to change national and racial habits. (And this is true because no human heart ever lived who was able to completely erase from himself the belief in his immortal nature--though he may call himself an atheist, materialist or whatnot. No one can erase the Divine and Eternal Spark That burns within his heart of hearts.)

The Ancient Wisdom-Science has always been able to provide us with the answer to every question. And in this most momentous matter of our immortal nature The Teachers of the Holy Word have supplied us with all the necessary Truths long, long ago. You have all known these Truths in ages past. And though you temporarily may not be able to answer your own questions just now, concerning your eternal Self, you cannot doubt that you are eternal for the simple reason that, in time past, you have proved this again and again. In a very real sense you are asleep now and in the midst of a deep engulfing dream. It is not necessary for you to wait until you "die" once more in order to awaken yourself from this confusing dream you call mortality, or the earthly life. Indeed, if you will take the few, simple steps to arouse yourself NOW, before you pass into the other worlds beyond this, you will find it possible to live MORE CONSCIOUSLY, MORE INTELLIGENTLY, MORE PERFECTLY on the higher planes of the so-called Spiritual-World.

Another magnificent advantage in preparing yourself, NOW AND HERE for your life and action in the future Heaven-Worlds is this: You can prepare your consciousness now, in this earthly life, to so abundantly receive the Cosmic Vibrations of The Christ-Principle that you will NEVER need to return to physical living, to earthly activity, unless you choose to do so.

When seen from the highest standpoint of the Spiritual Law, human re embodiment again and again is understood to be thoroughly undesirable and unwise. The one reason for being sent back into this earthly plane again and again is our failure to endure the tremendous Light of the Spiritual Planes. Like the worker in the dark caverns of the earth, we must approach the Light slowly, little by little, until our eyes can stand the intense Radiation of the Higher Levels of the Spirit. Passing from the human world into the Spiritual Planes is not death, not failure. But passing down from the Heaven Worlds into the dark human zone of Consciousness--this truly is death. This is defeat and failure. This may seem a new and novel attitude. But from the level of the Higher Consciousness it is an unassailable Truth. This is the Original Sin which, according to the Bible, all Humanity, must come into punishment for. This "sin" is our inability to maintain our consciousness in those radiant zones of Cosmic Light which The Christ constantly controls.

The sensitive Soul (one who eventually becomes a Student of the Light) always, in some way or another, feels and recognizes his failure to remain in the World of Light. This undercurrent of grief in having to return to an earthly embodiment is (in the case of the sensitive Student) responsible for untold suffering and confusion--the hidden causes of which he may never be able to discover.

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THE PERSON WHO TURNS TO METAPHYSICS FOR HELP IN THE PECULIAR PROBLEMS OF HIS LIFE is often a "peculiar" person--judged by the standards of that which the world regards as "normal." Students are indeed "different!" They are often very strange in their attitude to life and its many aspects when compared to the masses of unthinking human beings called "Society." And much if not all of this "strangeness" comes from the deep-seated record of their recent experiences in the world of Heaven, or the Spiritual Planes. Not, if you please! not from their unhappy experiences during childhood (as the psychologists insist) nor from their weird experiences as a tiny bit of spermatia in the body of their mother-- as those lunatic disciples of Dianetics would have us believe.

Unquestionably there are repercussions throughout our adult life from experiences of our childhood days. Childhood experiences can indeed be felt in a disastrous degree through many things of our 'mature' years. But the true source of these influences must be traced not back to childhood--but back to our existence in the wonderously happy planes of the Heaven Worlds, just before we were reborn again as a child. This is the explanation given by The Elder Brothers of Humanity; and the thoughtful Student can easily take the subject from here and carry it to its magnificently logical conclusions.

We read constantly that our life and action in this mortal world of physical life greatly conditions, if not entirely determines, the state of our Spiritual life in the Inner Planes of "Heaven." But little, if any, emphasis has been placed on the equally powerful influences our Spiritual activities in the Cosmic Planes will have upon our next life in the physical or mortal world. When the Student, the Disciple of the Light, begins to perceive and understand the dynamic influences which his Heaven-life exerts upon the future rebirth he will have as a mortal or earthly being, then he has indeed taken a great step forward in learning how to wisely control and direct his Divine Destiny.

If, as the disciples of Dianetics insist, if our physical life is tremendously influenced and conditioned by the experiences we have during our development in the body of our mothers, it should not be difficult for them to understand the influences of the pre-earth experiences we have just before human conception. When the exponents of Dianetics penetrate the subtle mysteries of Mind which lie outside the peregrinations of the sperm cells they will discover the true causes of all human confusion and error. And they will then be in a position to elevate their "revelations" to the dignity of a genuine science. Until then, caveat emptor.

As for modern psychology, when one observes its results from the superficial level of physical consciousness, they do seem to achieve reliable healings, or at least transformations in the mental and emotional equipment of its disciples to merit approval. In most cases these healings are the result of substitutions: a greater evil is replaced by a lesser one; a greater doubt by a smaller one. And in the vast relief the patient experiences in his freedom from the greater error, he is consoled and happily able to believe in the impotence of his remaining "errors." Psychology, as it is practiced today, is largely a matter of sublimation, or substitution, in which ideas, both pleasant and evil, are juggled around in an intellectual mumbo-jumbo which seems quite as effective as Voodoo in the narcotic influences it has upon the human personality. It is similar to the practice of taking a pain-killer rather than removing the subtle source of the disorder. The inevitable recokening must someday arrive. The patient must face himself. He must face his TRUE SELF. Before this supreme Reality, aspirin, narcotics, or the alibis of psychology (and Dianetics, its poor white trash) are of no avail.

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WHAT IS THIS "HIGH-SELF" THIS "TRUE-SELF" ABOUT WHICH SO MUCH HAS BEEN SAID AND written---and about Which so many of us know so little? Although there perhaps thousands of books which undertake to explain this Great Principle of Divinity to us, until we have these pages from the Temple Manuscripts entrusted to us by the Elder Teachers of the Race there has been little, if any, of the Cosmic Science of our God-Hood revealed to Mankind.

"Our TRUE-SELF is Something which has no beginning and no ending. It does not die, we are told---neither is it ever borned. It knows all things, is all things and yet is no-thing. It is nameless and sexless. It is many things which can never be put into words....."

The above quotation is typical of the countless books which undertake to "explain" this mighty mystery to us. And it is little wonder that so few of us understand.

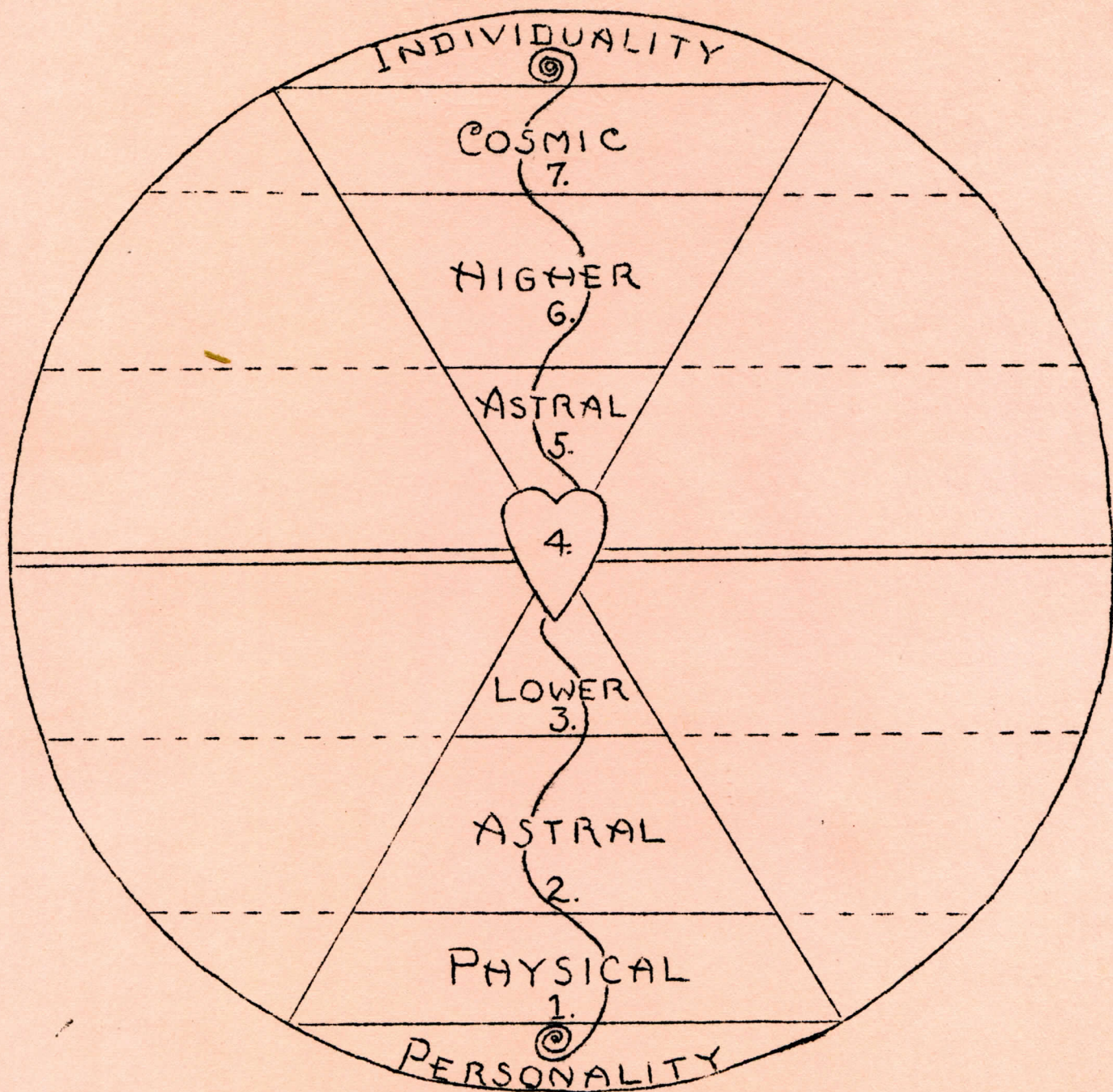
It is perfectly true that our High-Self has no ending---but it is not, fundamentally, true that our High-Self is beginningless. And while it may be difficult to explain in words how our High-Self made its first beginnings---It nevertheless DID have a beginning. Or, in other words, while you may never have an ending, you certainly did have a beginning somewhere, sometime, in the infinitely vast period of your previous existences. Perhaps it will simplify the matter to plunge at once into a discussion of that which we call our Personality, our human nature.

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IN EACH HUMAN INCARNATION CERTAIN VIBRATIONS ARE RECORDED UPON THE ETHERAL ENERGIES and substances which flow through us. These Vibrations are, erroneously, called "good" and "evil." More correctly, they would be termed constructive and destructive, or progressive and retrogressive---that which builds and that which tears down. These Vibrations are legion, both the good and the bad, so-called. Those which are "evil" are projected from the three lower centers of Chakras we have learned something about. Those which are projected from the three higher centers are "progressive", "good" and "constructive." These Vibrations form the Patterns which will be used by The Spirit to build the Higher Self, or the Individualized Soul. The Vibrations from the lower Chakras build the Patterns which are the Personality of each separate lifetime. (And they are thus mortal and finite. While the Higher Patterns are Immortal and Eternal.)

In each lifetime the Ego or Spirit will create a body which uses the three lower centers or Chakras as a scientist uses his laboratory. The Spirit experiments only with the three lower Rays, or the Cosmic Vibrations which move through the Root Center at the base of the spine, the Spleen Center, on the left side of the body, and the Navel, or Solar-Plexus Center. These three Chakras, Wheels or Brains, make up what is called the Human Personality. In each lifetime it is of a new and different construction; and the Vibrations from these centers will, in each lifetime, move in a new pattern upon each other. If the Spirit comes in to a body that is created by Chinese parents the Patterns of that lifetime will of course be very different to the Patterns built when the Spirit returns to a body provided by English parents. In the third embodiment, in which the Ego or Divine Spark steps into a body provided by Spanish parents, the Patterns will be of a still different character and purpose. Thus the experiences of the Human Personality will be different---but only in a superficial way. For, assuming, as is often the case, that the Spirit was that of an artist in all three embodiments---the Life's experiences would not have much variety, although learning the principles of Art as characteristic to Chinese, English and Spanish ideals. We must therefore look to a more complete and complex explanation of the development of the Higher-Self, our Immortal Nature, our Cosmic-Consciousness.

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THE ACCOMPANYING DIAGRAM MAY HELP TO EXPLAIN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE HUMAN PERSONALITY and its eventual absorption (or Ascension) into the Divine Individuality.

The mortal life and activity of our physical world is to be considered as the lower triangle, with its divisions 1, 2 and 3. It is into this world, and thru these Chakras of Saturn, Jupiter and Mars that each human embodiment develops. At the hour of physical death whatever of discord and imperfection the Spirit may have generated up to that time will remain behind in the lower planes of the Astral world. That which is pure and perfected will rise up into the higher and more spiritualized planes, and Chakras, of the upper triangle.

Perhaps an illustration taken directly from the Records of Nature, or the Akashic Ethers, will present the principle more clearly. About 350 B.C. a dynamic Spirit took embodiment as the son of Philip of Macedonia. This human personality lived in the physical world for thirty-one years but his memory and the glittering records of his deeds live even today. This human was called Alexander, the Great. A little more than 1800 years later (1491 to be exact) this Spirit took physical form again in Spain and was known under the name of Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Jesuit Order. In 1556, at the age of 65 this Spirit left the earth world. Less than 300 years later, in 1813, we find this entity returning to physical life and achieving fame in the field of music as unusual as his renown in the old world of conquest and his triumph as a soldier of The Christ. Today we bow in admiration before the genius of this spirit who revealed itself as Richard Wagner the German musician and operatic composer.

Thus we have Alexander the soldier, Loyola the soldier-mystic, and Wagner the soldier-mystic-musician. But these personalities were part of the same Individualizing Entity into Whom all the purified and perfected experiences were drawn.

Let us consider the life of Alexander the Great. What were the outstanding traits which he, as a soldier, would naturally develop that could be lifted up into the higher planes of spiritual consciousness and held there for future expression? Loyalty, discipline, endurance and courage would certainly be a part of his native character as the son of a great warrior. And these qualities he did exhibit in the early years of his career. Vanity, conceit, pride, impatience and cruelty were among the evil or imperfect qualities he also developed. These qualities would therefore be unable to pass above the boundaries of the lower astral world.

1800 Years later, this same spirit returned, again as a soldier. But his personal exploits as a soldier were almost insignificant compared to his record as great Alexander. At the age of 31, instead of dying to the physical world as before, he experienced a strange mystical development and dedicated his life to God. With the great qualities of discipline, obedience and loyalty which he learned ages ago he began to study for the priesthood. Eventually he founded a militant order of consecrated men who became known as the most powerful religious organization in history. There was a time when their power was feared by even the Vatican at Rome. The similarities between the conquests of Loyola and Alexander become very clear as centuries pass and the genius of this soldier-mystic spreads over all the earth. Leaving its mortal conquests behind once more, this Spirit, now greatly intensified and evolved from its experiences as the Spanish mystic, rests in the Upper Triangle for about 300 years. Then, desiring more individual knowledge, comes again into mortal consciousness. In seventy years it is ready to return to its place in the Higher Astral Zones—having carved out another incredible career in a field which may at first seem little related to war and mysticism. But notice the kind of music Wagner wrote, observe his operatic themes. What else do we discover but the echoes of Alexander and Loyola? Warfare and conquest; religion and mysticism fill Wagner's music from beginning to end! And his next life???

THE EARNEST STUDENT WILL BE ABUNDANTLY REWARDED BY SPENDING A FEW HOURS READING something of the history of these three celebrated personalities. The many similarities between the lives of these men will at once be apparent. And the remarkable likeness of their separate natures will pass beyond any possible coincidence. We do not have space here to continue this fascinating example, other than to say that this Spirit, last known as Richard Wagner, is now resting in the Heaven World, absorbing the spiritual fruits of his warrior-mystic-musician soul; and preparing to choose his next physical embodiment.

Looking once more at the diagram, it should now be more clear why the Spiritual Triangle, the Individuality of this Spirit, after having had the experiences of the three personalities, is now vastly more expanded and developed than when it took embodiment as the infant Alexander.

Just as muddy water can be purified by fire so that the steaming distillate is carried upward and the impure residue left behind, so too do each of us, in our different lifetimes, experience something of a distilling which carries off the purified essence of our personalities and unites it with our Immortal Spirit.

This Immortal Spirit is the Higher-Self which we are constantly developing year after year in our earthly pilgrimages as fleshly-embodied Beings. Every hour we are adding to the sum total of our Spiritual Individuality—or compelling it to endure further limitation, impurity and slavery to the lower personality. It is for the protection of our Immortal Spirit that the human body, and its mortal consciousness, are brought to periodic halts through physical death. At certain times it is necessary for the human will to be superseded by a higher aspect of Will. If the diagram is studied, the presence of a heart can be seen between the points of both the upper and lower triangle. The significance of the heart at this strategic point is to indicate that, until the moment of our physical death, we have the ability to choose, to exert our wills, to determine what shall act in our worlds. When, for various reasons, we have failed to properly, or fully, exploit this divine prerogative of Will, and choose the good, we are deprived of this power of choice—and must surrender our body of clay. In this way our Immortal Spirit is released from the terrible limitations of evil and ignorance we so constantly impose upon it.

It naturally follows that, having had the experiences of a hundred human personalities, our Immortal Spirit, our Higher-Self, will be much more Individualized or identified than when we were just beginning our earthly pilgrimages. For example, the Divine Spirit of a Loyola or a Wagner, A Napoleon or a MacArthur will be far more highly individualized and evolved than a Fiji Islander or a jungleman.

Each embodiment adds something to the gradually evolving Higher-Self. Eventually there comes a time when no further lesson can be learned, no further skill can be achieved—and all our impure creations of the past have been refined and redeemed. At this wonderful point it is no longer necessary for the Divine Spirit to seek experience or development in the mortal plane, or as a human being.

This Supreme Hour is here for thousands of the Disciples of the Light who are in embodiment now. We are assured of this by the Great Elder Brothers. They tell us that in many cases the Student is merely repeating old patterns, re-learning old lessons and blindly struggling along a treadmill which is getting us nowhere. It is therefore the greatest wisdom to seek to know how to complete our Individual Destiny, how to end this senseless chain of death and rebirth, how to free our Divine Spirit from the Maya or illusion of the mortal senses and human errors. These Great Guardians of Humanity stand ready and able to instantly take our hand and lead us to our speedy and complete Resurrection of our Immortal Selves.